

**REMARKS**

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 38-44 have been cancelled. Claims 1-37 are pending and under consideration.

In items 1 and 2, the Examiner refers to the Consent of Assignee and Offer to Surrender. As described in a previous telephone conference with the Examiner, this document was submitted twice before. The Examiner's own records should reflect that the Consent was previously submitted. The Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) report shows, for example, that the Consent of Assignee was submitted on November 27, 2001.

During the telephone conversation, the Examiner indicated that both previous submissions of the Consent were lost. The Consent is being submitted herewith for a third time. The Examiner is requested to handle this third submission with care such that it will be the last time the Consent of Assignee is required.

The only other issue raised in the Office Action is a Restriction Requirement. Applicants have elected claims 1-37 and cancelled the non-elected claims.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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